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For: FRONT-AXLE SPRING PIVOT SUSPENSION AND STEERING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

2 pages of specification, 12 pages of claims, an abstract and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned).

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